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(West Windsor, NJ) – U.S. Rep. Rush Holt (NJ-12) today announced that the U.S. House of Representatives approved his funding request for the Isles' Center for Energy and Environmental Training (CEET) in Trenton. The House approved \$300,000 for the Center to provide individuals with training and placement in energy-related jobs. The funding next needs approval from the Senate.

"Isles is working to train local residents for the clean energy jobs of the 21st Century. I'm pleased to help Isles secure funding for this successful initiative," Holt said.

Isles is a nationally recognized and award-winning community development and environmental nonprofit organization, which fosters self-reliant families in healthy, sustainable communities. The funding Isles seeks would create jobs and stimulate the economy by paying for construction costs including program materials for the CEET.

The CEET's training currently targets four broad career paths: 1) energy audits of buildings and energy retrofits, 2) alternative energy design, installation and maintenance, 3) environmental cleanup, and 4) green building. The funding Isles hopes to fully secure would immediately increase local employment in low- and moderate-income areas and provide a continuing stream of additional renewable energy professionals to the growing renewable energy field.

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